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LANDS 287 POUND SWORDFISH CAUGHT ON A HANDLINE

A swordfish weighing 287 pounds, caught with a handline by John Muse of the local halibut schooner Pilgrim which arrived at Portland Tuesday afternoon from a trip to the Grand Banks marks a feat seldom if ever accomplished within the memory of fishermen who for 50 years have sailed schooners from this port, says a Portland dispatch.

As the Pilgrim was docked Tuesday afternoon at the Portland Fish Company's plant among the 25,000 pounds of halibut which were aboard there was the handline swordfish which Capt. Simon Theriault, the skipper, and Muse were proudly displaying.

Muse admitted catching the fish and after the skipper handed him the pay of 50 some odd dollars extra for the trip, fishhandlers at the dock began to open their eyes, so that's the way the story goes. Fishermen and others can believe it or not, but it takes more than a gale of wind to get Gloucestermen worked up and they showed no little excitement when the swordfish was weighed.

This particular fish, according to Muse, who was not so much excited about having his picture taken as he was about the extra money to send home to his family, was caught on a 10 pound handline such as is used for haddock.

The fish became entangled in the spreader which is triangular in shape and extends below the leads on the line.

Took Line and All.

Muse said that the crew of the vessel, including himself, were coming up on deck from supper when he saw his line straighten out, and before he knew it 175 fathoms of line had gone over the side.

For one hour and a half he played with the fish, at times getting it close to the ship and then having to start all over again when the swordfish made a fresh attempt to get away.

Such is the story told by the Gloucester fishermen on Custom House wharf. Some believed it and others doubted. Fishermen have been known to exaggerate a bit, but it would be a strange thing for 20 men to stand up and tell the same yarn.

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SWORDERS HAVE SOME BIG TRIPS

EIGHT ARRIVALS HAVE OVER 1300
FISH AT BOSTON—PRICES
ARE LOWER.

Heavy fares of swordfish continue to predominate the Boston market. Out of 25 arrivals this morning, there were eight swordfish with 1323 fish, fares ranging from 84 to 193 each. Prices were lower. Other receipts comprised 566,000 pounds of groundfish, 94,500 pounds of fresh mackerel, 8500 pounds of blinks, 43,500 pounds of mixed fish and 7500 pounds of sole. Groundfish prices dropped, too.

Boston Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and fares in detail:

Str. Boston College, 93,000 haddock, 18,000 scrod, 9000 cod.

Str. Gemma, 100,000 haddock, 18,000 scrod, 12,000 cod.

Str. Tide, 85,000 haddock, 20,000 cod, 4000 sole.

Str. Crest, 74,000 haddock, 11,000 cod, 3000 sole.

Str. Mist, 90,000 haddock, 12,000 cod, 10,000 mixed fish.

Sch. Waltham II., 20,000 haddock, 1000 cod, 4300 mixed fish.

Sch. Olive M. Williams, 40,000 haddock, 7000 mixed fish.

Sch. William L. Putnam, 45,000 haddock, 18,000 cod, 3000 mixed fish.

Sch. Ramona, 48,000 mackerel.

Sch. Old Glory, 10,000 mackerel, 5000 blinks.

Sch. Mary A., 8000 mackerel.

Sch. St. Rita, 25,000 mackerel.

Boat St. Rita, 3500 mackerel, 3500 blinks.

Boat Marise, 84 swordfish.

Boat Mary M., 163 swordfish.

Boat Col. Lindbergh, 191 swordfish.

Sch. Desire, 144 swordfish.

Boat Mary A., 164 swordfish.

Sch. Albert W. Black, 176 swordfish.

Sch. Hazel M. Jackson, 193 swordfish.

Sch. Marie and Winifred, 203 swordfish.

Boat Annie II., 8000 mixed fish.

Boat Evangeline D., 5000 mixed fish.

Boat Lena W., 2200 mixed fish.

Boat St. Peter, 4000 mixed fish.

Haddock, \$1.75 per cwt.; large cod, \$3.50; market cod, \$2.25; hake, \$1.25; pollock, \$2 to \$2.25; cusk, \$2; gray sole, 2 cents per lb.; lemon sole, 4 1-2 cents; black backs, 3 cents; yellow tails, 3 cents; dabs, 3 cents; mackerel, 4.85 cents to 5.20 cents; tinkers and blinks, 2 1-2 cents; swordfish, 10 cents to 15 cents.

BIG SHARE FOR SWORDER'S CREW

Sch. Albert D. Willard, Capt. Edmund Barnes, on her swordfish trip landed at Boston a few days ago, stocked \$3900, her crew sharing \$298 each.

Quiet at N. Y. Dock.

There were no arrivals at New York this morning. Prices were 10 cents for flounders; six cents for haddock and 12 cents for cod.

The fare of the Mary Mullen yesterday brought three cents for haddock; four cents for cod and 9 cents for flounders.

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UNKNOWN CRAFT CUTS SEINE BOAT OF CLATTENBURG IN TWO

Capt. William Ingraham of the seiner Shirley M. Clattenburg came mighty near being sent to the bottom while fishing about 70 miles southeast of the highlands, Wednesday morning, according to the story told this morning by members of the crew, when a large craft described as resembling a cutter used in the customs service, ran so close to the Clattenburg that she cut her seine boat in half.

And that wasn't the worst of it, according to the gang, for the stranger never stopped, but kept ahead, leaving a startled crew of fishermen on the deck of the Clattenburg, who shouted in terms unmentionable at the carelessness of the passing craft.

It was 2 o'clock Wednesday morning, the night being clear, when the watch noticed the approaching craft, but because it was only the average dark night, believed that the lookout would see where he was heading. The stranger kept hugging her course so straight that the watch shouted below which brought all hands on deck, who waited for a crash they felt certain was to come.

Twenty feet astern at the end of the painter, was the seineboat of the Clattenburg, and through the opening poked the nose of the unknown craft, leaving the forward half of the seine boat dangling at the end of the line.

The Clattenburg returned here yesterday and it is understood that a report of the matter will be made to Washington.

SEINERS LANDED MORE MACKEREL

**FIVE BOATS LANDED 47,000
POUNDS OF FISH LAST
NIGHT.**

Some of the seiners found fish late yesterday afternoon, and during the night, three brought in 40,000 pounds, two of the fares going to the Producers Fish Company and the other to Murray & Tarr.

This morning two small seiners brought small trips of mackerel. All of the fares, except one, were large fish. Powers & McDonald took a small dragger this morning with 12,000 pounds, while the off-shore dragger Amelia M. Pereira, arrived with 70,000 pounds of mixed fish. The only other arrival was a small trawler.

Gloucester Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and fares in detail:
Boat Rosie, seining, 15,000 lbs. fresh mackerel.

Boat Linta, seining, 15,000 lbs. fresh mackerel.

Boat Inca, seining, 10,000 lbs. fresh mackerel.

Boat Uncle Sam, seining, 4100 lbs. fresh mackerel.

Boat Sam and Priscilla, seining, 3000 lbs. fresh mackerel.

Boat Crace S., trawling, 2000 lbs. fresh fish.

Boat 873 C., trawling, 12,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Amelia M. Pereira, dragging, 70,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Pilot, via Boston.

Sch. Hope Leslie, via Boston.

Sch. Pathfinder, via Boston.

Sch. Elizabeth A., via Boston.

Boat Florence K., seining.

Boat Orion, via Boston.

Boat Margaret D., via Boston.

Sailed.

Sch. Beauty St. Joseph, seining.

Sch. America, seining.

Sch. John A. Cooney, swordfishing.

On the Railways.

Yacht Tertia is on Rocky Neck railways.

LAUNCH NEW BRAFT

AT ESSEX TOMORROW

Tomorrow morning at 11.15 o'clock, the new sch. Ruth Lucille will be launched at Story's yard, Essex.

LIGHT RECEIPTS HERE TODAY

**SEINERS LANDED ONLY A FEW
MACKEREL SINCE YES-
TERDAY.**

Local fish receipts were light this morning, the arrivals being confined to an off-shore dragger with 50,000 pound of fresh fish and a few local seiners with small fares of fresh mackerel of the large and blink variety. Several of the swordfishing fleet came down to refit for fishing.

Gloucester Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and fares in detail:

Sch. Raymonde, dragging, 50,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Boat Minerva, seining, 3500 blink mackerel.

Boat Phyllis A., seining, 3000 lbs. fresh mackerel.

Boat Angie and Mary, seining, 3000 lbs. fresh mackerel, 1000 lbs. handline cod.

Sch. Catherine Burke, seining, 10,000 lbs. blink mackerel.

Sch. William L. Putnam, via Boston, 65,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Annie and Mary, seining, 5000 lbs fresh mackerel, 2000 lbs. blink mackerel.

Boat Col. Lindbergh, via Boston.

Sch. Mary S., via Boston.

Sch. Mary M., via Boston.

Sch. Desire, via Boston.

Sch. Marie and Winifred, via Boston.

Sailed.

Sch. Thomaston, swordfishing.

Sch. Elizabeth S., swordfishing.

Sch. Pathfinder, swordfishing.

Sch. Catherine Burke, seining.

Boat Margaret D., seining.

Boat Orion, seining.

On the Railways.

Sch. Mary F. Curtis is on Burnham's railways.

Boat Col. Lindbergh is on Parkhurst's railways.

FISH SKINNING CONTEST TONIGHT

A fish skinning contest scheduled for the Red Men's carnival on Maplewood avenue last evening, was postponed on account of the weather.

The event will be held tonight at 9 o'clock with four of the leading exponents of the art participating, William D. "Pete" Brown of Davis Brothers; George Gray of the Gorton-Pew Fisheries Company, Tom Langley of the Pew branch of the Gorton-Pew Company and Joseph Santos of the Gorton branch.

NEW CRAFT FOR CAPT. TOM BENHAM LAUNCHED TODAY

Sch. Ruth Lucille, built for Capt. Thomas Benham of the Gov. Foss, lost off of the Jersey coast last spring, was launched at Essex at high tide, shortly before noon today. The launching was without incident, and immediately after the craft took water, she was under tow, to be brought around to this port to be fitted for fishing. The new boat will be equipped with a 230 horsepower Bessemer Diesel engine, and will probably go had-docking.

SWORDERS STILL LEAD AT BOSTON

**SEVEN HAVE 1179 FISH THIS
MORNING—OTHER RECEIPTS
ARE LIGHT.**

Twenty-two craft brought fares to the Boston fish pier this morning. Seven were swordfishermen, five, seiners; eight, draggers, and two beam trawlers. Heavy swordfish receipts sent the price of that variety to the lowest point for a long time. There were 1179 fish available again today and the early sales were made at 7 and 13 cents. Other receipts were 183,000 pounds of groundfish; 18,000 pounds of mackerel; 14,000 lbs. of blinks; and 70,000 pounds of mixed fish. Prices ruled low.

Boston Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and fares in detail:

Boat Sawyer, 3000 mackerel, 8000 blinks.

Boat St. Providenza, 600 mackerel, 5000 blinks.

Sch. St. Providenza II., 8000 mixed mackerel.

Sch. Hoop-la, 1000 mackerel, 1000 blinks.

Boat Antonina, 8000 mixed mackerel.

Sch. Sunapee, 228 swordfish.

Sch. Anna and Ella, 153 swordfish.

Sch. Irene and Mabel, 160 swordfish.

Sch. Vasco da Gama, 110 swordfish.

Sch. Mildred Silva, 174 swordfish.

Sch. Eleanor, 190 swordfish.

Sch. Evelyn G. Sears, 162 swordfish.

Str. Patrick J. O'Hara, 95,000 haddock, 6000 cod, 18,000 mixed fish.

Str. Surf, 72,000 haddock, 10,000 cod, 5000 mixed fish.

Boat Barbara C., 7000 mixed fish.

Boat Fannie Parnell, 5000 mixed fish.

Boat Elmer S., 5600 mixed fish.

Boat John D., 7100 mixed fish.

Boat Joseph D'Ambrosio, 7000 mixed fish.

Boat Wilma, 5900 mixed fish.

Boat Two Pals, 4200 mixed fish.

Boat Rosie, 5000 mixed fish.

Haddock, \$2 per cwt.; large cod, \$3.50 market cod, \$2; hake, \$1.50; pollock, \$2.25; cusk, \$1.50; gray sole 2 cents per lb.; lemon sole, 4 1-2 cents; black backs, 2 cents; yellow tails, 2 cents; dabs, 2 cents; mackerel 6 cents; blinks, 2 1-2 cents; swordfish, 7 to 13 cents; catfish, 4 cents.

THREE SWORDS IN VESSEL'S PLANKS

Fundy, which course he came direct to Cape Sable.

The captain says he expects to get away today for Halifax, then Sydney, St. Pierre and Cape Race. From the latter point he expects to take his final departure for the British shores. Turner says he is confident of making the trip, and will hail passing ships for food and water. To the man ashore it looks hopeless.

Captain Robert Wharton and two sons arrived here a few days ago to look over their summer home, prior to the departure of the captain and family on a trip to Europe by the ship Mauretania, which sails from New York, July 24.

The Seven Seas Fishery Company, a new organization, has recently taken over the Cold Storage plant here and expects to have operating a fleet of trawlers to bring fish to the new plant. They will employ 100 men and 50 girls to handle their products, all of which will give a boom on the water front.

Quiet at N. Y.

There were no arrivals at New York this morning and there was no groundfish in the market.